IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

CRAIG THOMAS BATES,

Plaintiff,

ORDER

v.

Case No. 17-cv-250-jdp

RANDALL HEPP, et al.

Defendants.

Plaintiff Craig Thomas Bates has filed a proposed civil complaint and requested leave to proceed without prepaying the filing fee. To evaluate plaintiff's request to proceed with prepayment of the filing fee, I must review a certified copy of plaintiff's inmate trust fund account statement (or institutional equivalent) for the six-month period immediately preceding the filing of the complaint. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2).

For this case to proceed, plaintiff must submit the certified trust fund account statement no later than April 21, 2017. If I find that plaintiff is indigent, I will calculate an initial partial payment amount that must be paid before the court can screen the merits of the complaint under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2). Thereafter, plaintiff will be required to pay the balance of the filing fee in installments.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that plaintiff Craig Thomas Bates may have until April 21, 2017 to submit a trust fund account statement for the period beginning approximately September 30, 2016 and ending approximately March 31, 2017. If, by April 21, 2017, plaintiff fails to respond to this order, I will assume that plaintiff wishes to withdraw this action voluntarily.

In that event, the case will be closed without prejudice to plaintiff filing the case at a later date.

Entered this 31st day of March, 2017.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ PETER OPPENEER Magistrate Judge